



# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Executive Council

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TO: All District Three Constituents  
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### NOVEMBER 29, 2023 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING State House, Concord, NH

The Executive Council met on Wednesday, **November 29, 2023**, to review and vote on 111 agenda items and to approve Civil Commissions, Nominations and Confirmations as well as Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services Nomination, Confirmations and Appointments.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

##### DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

**4B.** Authorized the confirmation of **Captain Jordan P. Gauvin, Stratham, NH**, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard.

##### DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

**4F.** Authorized the confirmation of **Major Christopher J. Williams, Plaistow, NH**, for appointment to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, in the NH Air National Guard.

##### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

**5D.** Authorized, under the **Community Development Block Grant** program, to amend a grant agreement with the County of Rockingham, Brentwood, NH (originally approved by G&C on 8/18/21, Item #49), in the amount of \$355,850 by extending the completion date from December 30, 2023 to December 31, 2024, to allow for the completion of the water system improvement project. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funding is involved in this time extension request. **100% Federal Funds**

##### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

**5F.** Authorized to amend an American Rescue Plan Act grant to **Iron Wheel, LLC, Danville, NH** (originally approved by G&C on 1/18/23, Item #81), by extending the completion date from December 1, 2023 to June 1, 2025, and reducing the grant limitation by \$404,200 from \$506,200 to \$102,000, to perform the one-year operation and maintenance optimization from the time of treatment system install to ensure safe drinking water quality. This is a time extension and grant reduction. **100% Federal Funds**

##### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

**5H.** Authorized to amend an American Rescue Plan Act grant to the **Town of North Hampton, NH** (originally approved by G&C on 1/18/23, Item #82), by extending the completion date from December 1, 2023 to January 1, 2026, for water system improvements. This is a no cost time extension. **100% Federal Funds**

##### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

**5I.** Authorized to amend a grant to the **Town of Stratham, NH** (originally approved by G&C on 11/21/22, Item #91), by extending the completion date from December 1, 2023 to December 30, 2024, to remediate per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). This is a no cost time extension. **100% PFAS Response Funds**

#### REGULAR AGENDA

##### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

###### Office of the Commissioner

**#6.** Authorized to amend a Fiscal Committee Item (originally approved by G&C on 10/19/22, Item #7), by repurposing \$6,523,363 of the \$8,883,875 accepted from the American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds and by extending

the end date for funding from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**. Fiscal Committee approved on November 9, 2023.

*Increased funding was requested to increase gross square footage at the proposed Youth Detention Center (Hampstead). I did not support this contract.*

#### **Division of Medicaid Services**

**#10** Authorized to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreements with the counties as detailed in the letter dated October 23, 2023, to provide public funds totaling \$126,849,659 for Nursing Home Per Diem and Choices for Independence Waiver Payments, also known as the County Cap, pursuant to RSA 166:1-a, Reimbursement of Funds by the County and RSA 167:18-a, County Reimbursement Funds, as specified in the table. Effective retroactive to July 1, 2023, upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024, with the expectation the parties will renew annually. **100% Other Funds (Revenue)**  
**Rockingham County contributed \$19,207,690.**

#### **Division of Long Term Supports and Services**

**#13** Authorized to enter into grant agreements with the Grantees as detailed in the letter dated November 7, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$4,380,591 for Workforce Recruitment and Retention Strategies for Home and Community Based Services. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds Aspire Living and Learning (Stratham) received \$400,010.**

#### **Division of Public Health Services**

**#15** Authorized to enter into a sole source amendment to an existing contract with **Lamprey Health Care, Inc., Newmarket, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12/8/21, Item #11)**, to continue implementing the New Hampshire Healthcare Workforce Pathways project and to add scope of services to provide infection prevention control training through Project Firstline, by increasing the price limitation by \$480,452 from \$527,930 to \$1,008,382 and extending the completion date from May 31, 2024 to May 31, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

**#16** Authorized to amend an existing contract with Community Action Program Belknap and Merrimack Counties, Inc., Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 10/13/21, Item #27F), to continue to provide reproductive and sexual health services, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to June 30, 2025 and increasing the price limitation by \$187,539 from \$324,623 to \$512,162. Effective January 1, 2024, upon G&C approval. **67% Federal Funds, 33% General Funds**

**#17** Authorized to amend an existing contract **with Lamprey Health Care, Inc., Newmarket, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12/22/21, Item #41C)**, to continue to provide reproductive and sexual health services, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to June 30, 2025 and increasing the price limitation by \$714,589 from \$603,046 to \$1,317,635. Effective January 1, 2024, upon G&C approval. **69% Federal Funds, 31% General Funds**

**#18** Authorized to amend an existing contract with Amoskeag Health, Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12/22/21, Item #41C), to continue to provide reproductive and sexual health services, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to June 30, 2025 and increasing the price limitation by \$247,077 from \$389,626 to \$636,703. Effective January 1, 2024, upon G&C approval. **67% Federal Funds, 33% General Funds**

**#19** Authorized to amend an existing contract with Coos County Family Health Services, Inc., Berlin, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12/22/21, Item #41C), to continue to provide reproductive and sexual health services, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to June 30, 2025 and increasing the price limitation by \$243,249 from \$359,065 to \$602,314. Effective January 1, 2024, upon G&C approval. **67% Federal Funds, 33% General Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**#23** Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to pay property owners, tenants, and/or claimants \$125,601 as documented in the Contemplated Awards list, for amounts greater than \$5,000 for the period extending from October 1, 2023 through October 6, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval.

**Derry 4A ROW \$125,601**

**#24** Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to pay property tenants \$35,161.98 as documented in the Contemplated Awards list, for amounts greater than \$5,000 for the period extending from October 14, 2023 through October 23,

2023. Effective upon G&C approval.

**Derry 4A ROW - \$35,161.98**

[#25](#) Authorized the Bureau of Highway Maintenance to retroactively pay Bouliia-Gorrell Lumber, Laconia, NH, in the amount of \$25,936.20, for purchase of building supplies for the energy upgrade to several Highway Maintenance Patrol Sheds in District 3. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Highway Funds. District Three/Derry**

[#28](#) Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Pine Ringe Technologies, Inc., No. Reading, MA, on the basis of a low bid of \$178,076 for **signal work at multiple locations Statewide**. (2) Further authorize a contingency in the amount of \$8,903.80 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through September 27, 2024. **100% Other Funds NH 28-Island Pond Rd. Derry (1/3)**

#### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY**

[#35](#) Authorized, under the Community Development Block Grant program, to award a grant to the **Town of Derry, NH, in the amount of \$25,000, on behalf of The Upper Room, A Family Resource Center** to support its planning study at the property situated at 30 Tsienneto Road, Derry, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS**

[#51](#) Authorized the Office of Workforce Opportunity to enter into a sole source amendment to an existing contract with **Southern New Hampshire Services, Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12/18/20, Item #37), for the delivery of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Adult Program services by increasing the price limitation by \$2,918,490 from \$5,900,000 to \$8,818,490 and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2025.** Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES**

[#59](#) Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Trails to enter into a Grant-In-Aid Trail Maintenance Agreements with the snowmobile clubs as detailed in the letter dated November 6, 2023, in the total amount of \$2,638,980.01 for grooming of approximately 7,000 miles of snowmobile trails throughout the state. Effective upon G&C approval for the period from December 15, 2023 through May 31, 2024. **100% Other Funds (Transfer from Fish & Game-Snowmobile Registration Fees)**

The following District Three organizations received funding: **Border Riders – Pelham (\$3112), Derry Pathfinders (\$2310), Exeter Snow Hounds (\$990), Great Bay Snow Rollers (\$1334), Newfield Sno-Raiders (\$6011), and Southern NH Trailblazers (\$9094)**

[#62](#) Authorized the Division of Historical Resources to award a **Certified Local Government grant to the Town of Rye, NH, in the amount of \$19,500** to complete a survey of the town's locally designated historic district, including adjacent properties proposed for inclusion in the local historic district. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

[#65](#) Authorized the Division of the Arts to award a Public Value Partnership grant to Friends of the **Music Hall, Portsmouth, NH in the amount of \$15,000** to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse arts programs to NH residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

[#70](#) Authorized the Division of the Arts to award a Public Value Partnership grant to **Portsmouth Music and Arts Center, Inc., Portsmouth, NH in the amount of \$15,000** to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse arts programs to NH residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

[#74](#) Authorized to enter into a sole source agreement with the **Rockingham Planning Commission, Exeter, NH, in the amount of \$136,306 for the Advancing Resilience in Hampton Seabrook Estuary project.** Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

[#75](#) Authorized to award a grant to the **Town of Hampton, NH in the amount not to exceed \$50,000 for wastewater utility cybersecurity improvements**. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

[#76](#) Authorized to award a grant to **Chisholm Farm Homeowners Association, Exeter, NH in the amount not to exceed \$144,375 to install treatment to remediate per – and polyfluoroalkyl**. Effective upon G&C approval through December 1, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

[#77](#) Authorized to award a grant to **Town of Epping, NH in the amount not to exceed \$79,000 to finance installation to remediate per – and polyfluoroalkyl**. Effective upon G&C approval through December 1, 2024. **100% Emerging Contaminant Funds**

[#81](#) Authorized to award a Water Infrastructure Improvement for the **Nation Act grant to Mountain View Water Works, LLC, Hampton Falls, NH in the amount not to exceed \$175,000 for improvements to their drinking water system**. Effective upon G&C approval through December 1, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

[#83](#) Authorized to approve a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan agreement with the **Town of Newfields, NH in an amount not to exceed \$8,700 to finance the Town Hall, Police Station, Library Roof Run-off Reduction and Treatment project** under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% CWSRF Repayment Funds**

[#84](#) Authorized to approve a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan agreement with the **Town of Newfields, NH in an amount not to exceed \$155,900 to finance the Summer and Pleasant Streets Stormwater Collection and Treatment System project** under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% CWSRF Repayment Funds**

[#90](#) Authorized Martingale LLC's request to perform work on Piscataqua River in Portsmouth, NH.

## DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

[#100](#) Authorized to enter into a contract with **Airgas USA, LLC, Salem, NH in an amount up to and not to exceed \$1,381,868.25 for Industrial, Medical and Laboratory gasses**. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2028, with an option to extend for up to an additional two years.

## CONFIRMATIONS

Adult Parole Board (Law Enforcement or Corrections Experience)	Tricia Thompson, Salisbury
Board of Acupuncture Licensing (Acupuncturist)	Jody L. Bell, Manchester
Board of Medicine (Public Member)	Linda M. Tatarczuch, Durham
Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing (Recommended by N.H. Association for the Deaf)	Amber G. Epison, Manchester
Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing (Recommended by N.H. Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf)	<b>Patricia M. Stuart, Chester</b>
Board of Nursing (LPN)	<b>Huyen L. Fowler, Hampstead</b>
Board of Nursing (LNA)	Heather M. Pearl, Loudon
Business Finance Authority, Board of Directors	Dick Anagnost, Bedford
Community College System of New Hampshire Board of Trustees (NH Resident Student Enrolled in a Credit Program)	Nicholas Curro, Londonderry
Commissioner, Department of Transportation	William J. Cass, Laconia
Deputy Director, Division of Administration, Department of Safety	Melanie L. Carraher, Boscawen
Justice of the Land Use Review Docket, Superior Court (Chapter 79, 2023)	Michael A. Klass, Hopkinton
Manufactured Housing Installation Standards Board (Owner/Operator more than 100 lots)	Eric Kaufman, Sudbury, MA

## NOMINATIONS

Assistant Commissioner, Department of Environmental Services	Adam J. Crepeau, Concord
Board of Accountancy (Certified Public Accountant)	Lisa Athanasia, Plymouth
Board of Dental Examiners	Mark D. Abel, Bedford
Compensation Appeals Board (Employer/Insurer)	Arthur J. Beaudry, Somersworth

Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Department of Business and Economic Affairs  
Independent Investment Committee  
Justice, New Hampshire Circuit Court  
Justice, New Hampshire Circuit Court  
Manufactured Housing Installation Standards Board (Municipal Fire Chief)  
New Hampshire Correctional Facility for Women Warden  
Sexual Misconduct Climate Surveys and Task Force, Department of Education  
(Representative of the private 4-year colleges in New Hampshire)

Jeanie Forrester, Meredith  
Christine Clinton, Dublin  
Jared J. Bedrick, Portsmouth  
Benjamin E. Leduc, Bow  
Thomas W. Blanchette, Loudon  
Sarah Provencher, Nashua  
**Marcie E. Vaughan, Portsmouth**